COMMITTEE LANGUAGE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2001

S-3 SERIES ACCOUNT: APN

PRESBUD	HASC	SASC	CASC	HAC	SAC	CAC
79,050	79,050	79,050	69,050	64,050	70,050	69,050

S-3 WEAPONS SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT ACCOUNT: RDT&E

PRESBUD	HASC	SASC	CASC	HAC	SAC	CAC
455	12,455	455	455	455	455	455

HASC LANGUAGE (Rpt. 106-616) Page 69, Aircraft Procurement, Navy 032 P.3 SERIES 033 9-3 SERIES

79.050

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E-2 SERIES

0604216N	85	MULTI-MISSION HELICOPTER UPGRADE DEVELOPMENT	69,946		69,946
0804217N	86	S-3 WEAPON SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT	455	12,000	12,455
		Surveillance System Upgrade			[+12,000]
0804218N	87	AIR/OCEAN EQUIPMENT ENGINEERING	6.051		5.051

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Aviation modernization plan

The committee notes recent reports that the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations is considering a major revision of naval aviation plans which would remove aircraft from inventory, cancel future aircraft systems concepts, and reconfigure the carrier air wing in order to develop an affordable modernization plan for naval aviation. The reports indicate that the recommendations contained in the "Common Vision for Naval Aviation" would be implemented beginning with the Navy's budget request for fiscal year 2002. The committee understands that the following alternatives are being considered:

- (1) Replacement of the EA-6B Prowler electronic warfare aircraft by 2010 with an electronic warfare aircraft follow-on:
- (2) Retirement of the F–14 Tomcat strike-fighter aircraft by 2008;
- (3) Service life extension of the C-2 Grayhound Tracker carrier onboard delivery aircraft;
- (4) Retirement of the S-3B Viking antisubmarine warfare aircraft by 2008 and its mission replacement by a combination of P-3C Orion maritime patrol aircraft and SH-60R Seahawk multi-mission helicopter;
- (5) Replacement of the S–3B Viking in its tanker role by F/A–18E/F fighter aircraft with a aircraft refueling capability;
- (6) Service life extension of the P–3C Orion maritime patrol aircraft;
- (7) Service life extension of the EP–3E Aries electronic surveillance aircraft;

- (8) Cancellation of the concept of a common support aircraft that would combine the mission of the E–2C Hawkeye airborne early warning aircraft with the missions of the S–3 Viking and C–2 Greyhound aircraft;
- (9) Delay introduction of a multi-mission maritime aircraft to replace the P-3C Orion and EP-3E Aries to no later than 2015; and
- (10) Reduction of the number of strike aircraft in a carrier air wing from 56 to 50.

The committee commends the Navy for its initiative in developing a long-term plan for naval aviation that attempts to meet the challenges of affordability and effectiveness in a budget constrained environment. The committee recognizes the issues of current and future operational requirements, current force capabilities, personnel, training, research and development, procurement, logistics, and estimated funding available that must be considered in developing such a plan. The committee notes that the Navy's plan is not complete and was not available during the committee's review of the budget request.

The committee urges the Secretary of the Navy to provide information on the Navy's revised aviation modernization plan to the congressional defense committees at the earliest opportunity to ensure adequate opportunity for oversight review of this important initiative prior to receipt of the budget request for fiscal year 2002.

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S–3B surveillance system upgrade program

The budget request contained \$455,000 in PE 64217N for engineering and manufacturing development for the S–3 weapons system improvement program. The committee notes that the objective of the S–3B surveillance system upgrade program is the integration of off-the-shelf radar, electro-optic, and infrared sensors; electronic support measures; and tactical data links to demonstrate an enhanced stand-off capability for this systems that could be achieved with low risk and at relatively low cost. The committee strongly supports efforts to improve Navy battle group operations and, therefore, recommends \$12.5 million in PE 64217N, an increase of \$12.0 million to continue the S–3B surveillance system upgrade prototype demonstration program.

SASC LANGUAGE (Rpt. 106-292)

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No Title	Qtv	Cost	Qty	Cost	Qty	Cost
32 P-3 SERIES	-	60,710		87,200	-	147,910
33 S-3 SERIES		79,050	-	29-	20	79,050
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Advanced Threat Infrared Countermeasures		8,000				
0604217N	86 S-3 WEAPON SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT	455	2	455		
0604218N	87 AIR/OCEAN EQUIPMENT ENGINEERING	6,051	20	6,051		
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CASC LANGUAGE (Rpt. 106-945)									
Page 579, Aircraft Procurement, Navy									
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Page 668, RDT&E, Navy									
Advanced Threat Infrared Countermeasures 86 S-3 WEAPON SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT Surveillance System Upgrade 87 AIR/OCEAN EQUIPMENT ENGINEERING				455 6,051	12,455 [+12,000] 6,051	[+8,	000) 455 ,051	5,000 - -	455 6,051
Contains no language.									
HAC LANGUAGE (Rpt. 106-644)									
Page 107, Aircraft Procurement, Navy									
Lightweight Environmentally Sealed Parachute S-3 SERIES Accelerated retirement of S-3 fleet in 2008 E-2 SERIES	Assem	bly			79,0 18,4	 50			+2,000 -15,000 -15,000 +39,000
Page 109, Aircraft Procurement, Navy									
P-3 SERIES. S-3 SERIES. E-2 SERIES.		 	79,	710 050 485		78,71 64,05 57,48	iD		+18,000 -15,000 +39,000
Page 170, RDT&E, Navy									
MULTI-MISSION HELICOPTER UPGRADE DEVEL S-3 WEAPON SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT					69,946 455 6,051		79,946 455 6,051		+10,000
Contains no language.									
SAC LANGUAGE (Rpt. 106-298)									
Page 61, Aircraft Procurement, Navy									
S-3 SERIES			79,050			79,050			47,000

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85 MULTI-MISSION HELICOPTER UPGRADE DEVELOPMENT		69,946 455 6.051		455	+ 10,000
Contains no language.					
CAC LANGUAGE (Rpt. 106-754)					
Page 167, Aircraft Procurement, Navy					
P-3 SERIES	60,710	78,710	108,310	99,760	
S-3 SERIES	79,050	64,050	79,050	69,050	
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Page 169, Aircraft Procurement, Navy					
CNS/ATM				3,500	3,500
S-3 SERIES		79,050	64,050	79,050	69,050
Accelerated retirement of S-3 fleet in 2008			-15,000		10,000
E-2 SERIES		18,485	57,485	18,485	42,585
Page 247, RDT&E, Navy					
Advanced Threat Infrared Countermeasures				4,000	4,000
P-3 MODERNIZATION PROGRAM		2,906	8,906	2,906	7,406
APS-137B(V)5 radar			6,000		4,500
TACTICAL COMMAND SYSTEM		57,817	60,817	57,817	59,817
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